

PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 202.1 ARTICLE 7, SUSPENSION OF LAW ALLOWING THE ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHER SIMILAR SERVICE

Members attending: Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Lightfoot, and Mr. Smithers

Members Attending Via Videoconference: Mr. Acres, Mr. Arquiatt, ~~Mr. Burke~~, Ms. Curran, Ms. Fiacco, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, and Ms. Terminelli

Others Attending Via Videoconference: Ruth Doyle, Dylan Soper, Kelly Pearson, Steve Button, Don Chambers, Bruce Green, Renee Cole, Cindy Ackerman, Barb Lashua, and Patrick Ames

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Acres called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Terminelli moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Perkins moved to approve the January 25th meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Haggard and Ms. Terminelli, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

3. COVID-19 UPDATE – Dr. Andrew Williams

4. REAL PROPERTY – BRUCE GREEN

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Systems Development Group, Inc. for Licensing, Hosting, and Software Support for Image Mate Online for the Real Property Office (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

5. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

A. REDI Project at the Northumberland Street Bridge Over Morristown Bay (Discussion) – Mr. Chambers

B. Approving New York State Department of Transportation Supplemental Agreement #1 for Final Design for the St. Lawrence County Bridge Preservation (2 Bridges) BIN 3340980, BIN 3341780, PIN 775396 (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract for Shared Services between the New York State Department of Transportation and St. Lawrence County (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

D. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C. for Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan Update and Modifying the 2021 Budget for the Department of Highway (Res) – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

E. Highway Outpost Update (Discussion) – Mr. Chambers

6. WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) – BARB LASUA

A. Modifying the Budget for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for PY18 for Trade and Economic Transition National Dislocated Worker Grant (WIOA) (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

B. Modifying the Budget for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) for PY20 for the Employment Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

C. H-1B Rural Healthcare Grant (Discussion)

7. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEVE BUTTON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign and Transfer a Utility Easement for a Portion of the Former J&L Site to National Grid (Res) (Info) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Allied World Insurance for Medical Malpractice Insurance Coverage for County-Employed Medical Providers (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

8. SOCIAL SERVICES – CINDY ACKERMAN

A. Modifying the 2020 Budget for Social Services for Foster Care, Adoption Services, HEAP, and Technology (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Fiacco, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

9. LEGISLATOR LIGHTFOOT

A. Commending the Honorable Greg Storie, County Court Judge, for Adopting New Policies Associated with the Issuance of Pistol License Restrictions and the Cross-Registrations of Pistols for Members of Different Households in St. Lawrence County (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Arquiett.

Mr. Perkins, Ms. Curran, Mr. Arquiett, Mr. Sheridan, and Mr. Denesha asked to be added as co-sponsors to this resolution.

Motion carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, one (1) abstention (Haggard), and one (1) absent (Burke)

10. LEGISLATOR REAGEN AND LEGISLATOR FORSYTHE

A. Authorizing the County Attorney to Render Assistance to the City of Ogdensburg for the Remediation of Several Properties Believed to be Environmentally Contaminated Located within the City of Ogdensburg (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, Ms. Curran, and Mr. Reagen, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, one (1) recuse (Reagen), and one (1) absent (Burke).

County Attorney Button said the City of Ogdensburg is requesting the County to assume the responsibility of tax foreclosure and tax enforcement for the City. There are approximately 4,051 parcels in the City of Ogdensburg and this could be a significant amount of work for the County. This would have to be done through a negotiated agreement.

11. LEGISLATOR SHERIDAN, LEGISLATOR DENESHA, LEGISLATOR PERKINS, AND LEGISLATOR ARQUIETT

A. Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law A (No. __) for the Year 2021, “A Local Law Re-Establishing the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Recreational Trail System and Establishing a Trail Permitting Process” (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Arquiatt, Ms. Curran, and Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

12. LEGISLATOR DENESHA

A. Requesting the New York State Legislature Provide Level Funding for the Northern New York Agricultural Development Program in the FY2022 State Budget at \$300,000 (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Perkins, and Ms. Curran.

Mr. Denesha recognized Patrick Ames.

Motion carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

13. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Appointing a Records Management Officer for St. Lawrence County (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Denesha, carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

Ms. Doyle reported one transfer of funds: \$3,000 was transferred for the Public Health Department regarding State Aid claims that were paid from 2019 that impacted 2020.

The Coronavirus Work Group reduced its meeting dates from three times a week to once a week on Mondays. There are daily briefings regarding vaccine arrival. Vaccine clinics will be held in Massena and Gouverneur this week. The Pandemic Plan draft is completed and will move forward. Coronavirus cases will be monitored to establish if the State of Emergency will be allowed to expire or if it will be reissued for 30 more days.

Ms. Doyle said \$1,024,000 was spend from contingency in 2020, not including the three contracts that were settled in 2020.

There was a request from the City of Ogdensburg to have the Hazmat trailer moved from the location in the City. There will need to be an update to the Hazmat tentative agreement to remove the service and monitoring of the trailer that the City was responsible for.

NYSAC is holding a virtual conference this week.

The Treasurer is meeting with bond counsel tomorrow regarding Highway.

14. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board – Mr. Denesha
- B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 – no report
- C. Fisheries Advisory Board – no report
- D. Gouverneur Fair Board – Mr. Smithers
- E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee – Mr. Smithers
- F. Industrial Development Agency – Mr. Reagen
- G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board – Mr. Arquiatt
- H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) – Mr. Forsythe
- I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce – Ms. Haggard
- J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors – Mr. Acres

15. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Lightfoot asked if the DMV drive through has opened back up. Ms. Doyle confirmed that it is open.

Ms. Terminelli asked the County Attorney if Financial Disclosure Forms were needed for all members of the Advisory Boards.

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss litigation, personal, and appointments, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Open Session at 8:27 p.m., seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Burke).

17. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Acres moved to adjourn the February Finance Committee Meeting at 8:28 p.m., as there was no further business.